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PRESS RELEASE

Brothers Jaime and Josue Rios Convicted of Federal Drug Charges

Brothers Jaime and Josue Rios, ages 35 and 27, of Labelle, Florida, were found guilty by a federal jury today after a two week trial in Fort Myers, Florida, of conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute more than 100 kilograms of marijuana and of possession with intent to distribute more than 100 kilograms of marijuana, in violation of Title 21 United States Code, Sections 846 and 841(a)(1). United States District Judge John E. Steele presided over the trial.

Defendants were indicted by a Federal Grand Jury last year after approximately 1,000 pounds of marijuana was delivered by commercial carrier to the defendants property located on SR 80 in Hendry County, just west of Labelle.

The defendants face a maximum term of imprisonment of 40 years, including a minimum mandatory of five years as a result of their convictions. The case was investigated by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration and was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Robert Barclift.